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NEWSLETTER NO: 41 MARCH 94.

WHAT THE MEDIA HAD TO SAY IN JANUARY 93.

#### REGIONAL NEWSPAPERS:

1.1.93 : ILKESTON ADVERTISER : UFO MAN IS TOLD OF TRIP WITH ALIENS.

#### LOCAL NEWSPAPERS :

11.1.93 : PORTSMOUTH NEWS : SCIENTIST TO PROBE 'UFO' SIGHTING.

#### MAGAZINE ARTICLES :

15.1.93 : NEW STATESMAN & SOCIETY : IF THEY RULED THE WORLD.

22.1.93 : OLDIE (THE) : NO TITLE. (LEY LINES/UFOS).

#### NATIONAL NEWSPAPERS: -----

SUN (THE) (SCOTTISH EDITION) : FLYING SAUCER 'IS SPY PLANE'. 7.1.93

8.1.93 GUARDIAN (THE): CONSPIRACY THEORISTS SUSPECT A

9.1.93 : INDEPENDENT (THE): NO TITLE. (WEMBLEY CONFERENCE).

11.1.93 : GUARDIAN (THE): BAAL PILOT BEDEVIL'S CONSPIRATORIALISTS.

12.1.93 : DAILY TELEGRAPH : EURO-MP's WANT TO STUDY UFOS.
14.1.93 : DAILY STAR : COP 'N' SAUCER.

#### UNKNOWN NEWSPAPERS:

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1.93 : FEARS OVER FARCE AT 'CONSPIRACY CONFERENCE'.

1.93 : IS THERE ANYBODY OUT THERE ?

3.1.93 : PERIODICALLY CORRECT. (MAGAZINE REVIEW).

#### PRESS CUTTING COLLECTION :

I am keeping a monthly running total of my press cutting collection. If you are after an article(s) for research into a certain sighting etc, then drop me a line and I will see what I have, that is relevant to your enquiry:

CROP CIRCLES	:	757
UK NATIONALS	:	906
UK REGIONALS	:	2722
HAMPSHIRE ARTICLES	:	92
NEWSPAPER UNKNOWN	:	625
MAGAZINE ARTICLES	41 7 1	238
REST OF THE WORLD	:	57
SOUTHAMPTON ECHO	:	389
TIMES (THE)	:	137
AMERICAN ARTICLES	:	538
BERMUDA TRIANGLE	:	2
BIGFOOT	THE TWO IS NOT	4
PHILADELPHIA EXPERIMENT	:	1
CATTLE MUTILATIONS	:	13
STEALTH/FIGHTER BOMBER	•	5
FACES ON MARS	:	3
MYSTERY CATS	:	10
AURORA PROJECT		3
SEARCH FOR ET		2
LOCH NESS MONSTER	:	2

TOTAL : 6516

Press/Tv/Radio matters over the past month 15.2.94 - 15.3.94.

News Of The World: 13.2.94.

Alien Fore! Customers are flocking to buy American scientist Barry Skinner's untested invention-a £100 alien detector which shrieks if a creature from outer space comes near.

#### Daily Mail Magazine: 19.2.94.

Article reviews the new book by Jim Schnabel entitled: Dark White: Aliens, Abductions And The Ufo Scandel. The article gives a fair review, and the final paragraph ie: 'Either way, it seems the ufologists will have a useful role to play. Some day, says Schnabel, their phenomena will become no more mysterious than thunderstorms, shooting stars or Saturn's rings.

The People : 20.2.94 :

This 4 page article looked at people who have been abducted by ufo's with the main part of the article based around the abduction of Maria Ward.Also, two other 'Abductee's' are also interviewed. The article also looks at the famous people such as Elvis Presley, Michael Jackson, William Shatner and others who claim ufo sightings.

Sunday Mail: 20.2.94.

The article looks at a ufo filmed over the Norfolk broads in October 1993. The film footage shows a diamond shaped object, with the bottom portion shaded. But Panasonic, have put forward a possible solution. In fact, all the object is, is the Iris of the panasonic video camera, somehow reflected back through the camera. (I must admit, when you see the photograph of the Iris and compare the two, I feel that it would be very difficult to come up with another solution... ED).

(The next day, An item featuring the above appeared on morning tv).

Glasgow Daily Record : 28.2.94.

The above item was sent to me by Malcolm Robinson of SPI in Scotland, and features a photograph of a ufo taken by a Mr Ian Macpherson. In the article, Malcolm says, "That it is the most exciting photograph I have ever seen in this country"...

Paper Unknown: 28.2.94:

Art about aliens, based on documentary evidence, forms the basis of an extraordinary first show at the new Independent Art Space (23a Smith St, London SW3). For sale, at £3,00 is a 7FT square portrait of a Grey Alien, based on drawings and verbals of witnesses.

#### Television :

CH4. 16 Feb 94. 1.40 - 2.40 AM. The Strange Case Of Crop Circles. Saw the repeat of a crop circle programme that has now become somewhat dated in the circle field.

Sky News: 21.2.94: Special Report: Roswell Crash. This half hour programme used snippets from another program shown on sky television, Ufos: no defence significance. It was not a bad programme, but I realy wonder how much longer people can spew out on the alleged crash at Roswell. (In the programme, it stated that there was to be a congressional hearing into the Roswell case...does this mean that the Roswell case will be laid to rest or will the U.S Government really tell us what happened in July of 1947... We shall see.....).

#### GMTV. 21.2.94.

As I mentioned in the press matters, This followed on from a newspaper article that appeared in the Mail On Sunday. The film footage was shown a couple of times, and the more I compare this, with the picture of the Panasonic video camera iris, the more I am convinced, that it was either recorded by accident, or that it is a hoax. But as the case is still under investigation by Bufora, We shall wait and see what the Man In Bufora (MIB) has to say about it.....

# Late Night Late: 27.2.94.

When I watched this, I cringed in my seat. I felt do sorry for both Harry Harris, and the three Abductee's that were on the show for about 5 - 10 mins. They were ribbed something rotten, and as the audience were youngsters ie 17 - 25, they had no interest what so ever, and kept laughing and sniggering through out the item. This does little for ufology and I was angry when it finished.

# The Time The Place: 2.3.94.

Jenny Randles appeared on the show about Abductions and seemed to be a bit isolated throughout the programme. It featured people who had been abducted and people who had had ufo sightings. The only other 'Ufologist', was a chap representing the Norfolk Ufo Group (A new one on me... ED). It was worth a look at, but not one of the programmes about Ufos/Abductions that has appeared on this talk show.

Intruders (Based on cases of Budd Hopkins): 12/13.3.94
On Sky television:

Fans of Budd Hopkins are in for a treat. This  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hour long epic is based on the work of Budd and I must admit, I enjoyed it very much. The only thing was, I did find that  $3\frac{1}{2}$  hours was a little bit too long...

Central Television Are Making A Ufo Documentary...

Central Television are filming this month in Suffolk with the Americans and are at present in Russia gathering information. They will also be flying out to Gulf Breeze in America soon and no doubt they will be trying to catch the Gulf Breeze ufo's on film. It is planned to be shown in the summer of 1994 and thanks to Anthony for this snippet.

Radio Solent: 28.2.94:

I was asked to appear on the Peter White show at 11am on the above day. I was told that there would be a skeptic, a Ufologist and another person. In the end, It was just me, and John Rimmer, editor of Magonia (Via a telephone link). I feel it went all right and other people who heard it, also said that it went well. John was very interesting and he said 90% of objects were explainable, the other 10% may well have a more mundane explanation. I was a little ill-prepared (not on my part I must add), and I put the ET point forward, which was received by John as not a viable explanation for ufo sightings.

#### Magazine Reviews:

1. A.U.N : (AMATEUR UFO NEWS) : No 22. Jan 94.

At present, this is the only American magazine I exchange with and I enjoy it very much. It is edition looks at a sighting near Warsaw, Missouri, a goat mutilation in Newton County, Missouri and a calf that becomes second mutilation in three days. I urge any Ufologist to get hold a copy and you will not be disappointed.contact: Amateur Ufology News P.O Box 440, Lockwood, MO 56582, Usa.

2. CROP WATCHER: No. 20 Nov/Dec 93.

Paul looks at the recent 'shambles' at the United Nations, where Colin Andrews and others were to give a lecture on the crop circles. Paul' article about sums up the lecture. Other articles include, How to microwave your own crop circle, crop circles in France, part 4 of Ted Phillips physical trace catalogue and much more..contact: Paul Fuller, 3 Selborne Court, Tavistock Close, Romsey, Hampshire, SO5 7TY.

3. Southern Paranormal Investigations: No 3 - 5:
Editions 3 - 5 are packed with news and information on crop circles, ghosts, ufos and much much more. I understand the group has one or two setbacks and they tell me that the minor errors in the publication will soon be rectified. For more details, contact: Bob Schindler, 29 Swarraton Road, West Leigh Havant, PO9 2HH.

4. OVNI : February 94.

This is yet another newsletter well worth obtaining. The February edition covers such subjects is the mystery triangle shaped ufo's and possible connection with secret tests, Ufo's and the North Pole, and much more. For more information, contact Phenomenon Research Association, 12 Tilton Grove, Kirk Hallam, Ilkeston, Derbyshire. DE7 4GR.

- 5. Northern Ufo News: No 164 New Year 1994:

  Jenny produces what is for me, the best magazine available at present. Packed with news, reviews, information and much much more. Items covered in this edition includes Menwith Hill-Tracking Ufo's?, Media Matters, Brief Cases and so much more. For more details, contact: Jenny Randles, 37 Heathbank Road, Cheadle Heath, Stockport, Cheshire SK3 OUP.
- 6. Ufo Magazine: Jan/Feb 94. Vol 12 No 6.
  As ever Quest have produced yet another glossy magazine packed with news, information, sightings and much more. For more details, contact: P.O Box 2, Grassington, Skipton, North Yorkshire BD23 5UY.

#### UFO HOTLINE.

Charges: 36p Standard Rate. 48p Peak Rate (Per Minute).

Bufora Weekly News Update: 0891 121 886.

## Subscription Details.

The Newsletter consists of no less than 4 double-sided A4 pages. Also, newscuttings that may be of interest to the reader. In the Summer months, around April, an extra page is included to cover any crop circle news.

The Newsletter costs £5 per year (Including postage) and is

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## Something Strange Arrives In The Post !!!!.

#### Elite File...(Part 1)..

A good friend of mine, Mr Ernie Sears received a somewhat disturbing item in the post. What follows, are a number paragraphs taken from the document...

"It is time that the investigators and researchers be researched and investigated...."

"A group code named ELITE has now put this into practice with a project called OPERATION ALPHA and OMEGA. Its to main agents are code named DESTINY and Deliverance. They are concerned that the whole question of UFOs is getting out of hand...."

"Investigations began...bowels of an organisation...discovered ....members was meeting socially with a member of the Air Staff Division of the Ministry of Defence....."

"ELITE knows that the American Government has designed a vehicle using this technology (Alien) code named DUP HOVER, a craft capable of levitating above the ground and speeds of up to 4000 mph.It is operated by mind control technology and contains an anti gravity device. The crew consists of twelve personnel...."

"DELIVERANCE has found that the Ministry of Defence installation at Southend, England, had in 1984 retrieved a black dumbbell shaped Ufo which was exposed on a beach on the south coast. It was approximately eighty foot across, four men high, weighed about 20 tonnes and was taken away under the cover of darkness. It was escorted by two jeeps and a motorcyclist. This manoeuvre took just three quarters of an hour. (A plug that had worked its way loose from the ocean floor was the explanation given)....."

"In the coming months we will reveal more of what we know, and when the time is right we will reveal ourselves also...."

"If you belong to any UFO research group or organisation you can be assured that at least two members will be Government personnel, placed there in order to report back the findings on any research...."

"If you are a witness leaning on any of these groups or organisations, your experience is no longer a personal thing and will be discussed, torn to pieces, ridiculed and then thrown back in your face. So, if you felt very special to begin with, you wont by the time they have finished with you.."

"While we continue our investigations we're learning more and more about who's who, especially those who are MASQUERADING as investigators and researchers. So if your one of the above mentioned, YOUR COVER IS BLOWN...."

"Here endeth the first lesson, until next time, watch your back.."

"Destiny and Deliverance on behalf of Elite....."

The document ends... "Please feel free to copy and Distribute Accordingly"....

So there you have it..Watch out fellow researchers and investigators your cover has been blown and watch your backs.. What a lot of rot...I have missed out several other paragraphs and if anyone out there wants to read a copy, then let me know. If anyone else has received a copy, could you please let me know, and tell me what you think of this trash....

I cannot work out if it is a fellow researcher or group who has been upset in the past or not. Is it another group trying to dig up a little bit of dirt? I cannot wait for the second edition to raise its ugly head. The contents is very 'American' as they are the ones for using code names Condor, Falcon etc.

A couple of further points....

- 1. Mr Ernie Sears was a ufo investigator for Bufora back in 1979/80, and today, only has general interest in the subject and doesnot research ufo's...So the first question I asked myself, why Ernie...?
- 2. The envelope was addressed to Ernies old address...Is the person(s) who are producing this, working from old Bufora address listing...?
- 3. The envelope was posted from ROMFORD, Essex on 21.1.94.
- 4. The address on the envelope was written in block capitals.. Was this because Ernie may of recognised the hand writing.?

#### New Books :

- 1. Crop Circle Apocalypse, By John Macnish. £15.00. 248pgs.
- 2. Ufo Abductions in Gulf Breeze, By Ed Walters. (Only available in USA at present.
- 3. Dark White: Aliens, Abductions and The Ufo Scandle. £16.99.

# New Video :

Crop Circle Communique 2. (To be released late spring 1994).

### Gulf Breeze Press Cuttings:

Vol 1 & Vol 2. £1.30 each incl. p & p.
From: ANTHONY JAMES, 8 ROOSA CLOSE, HEMPSHILL VALE, BULWELL, NOTTINGHAM, NG6 7BL.

### Books For Sale.

I have been asked to sell the following two items on behalf of a second party....

- 1. The Circlemakers, By Andrew Collins.. Pbk. Good Condition. £2.50 plus p&p.
- 2. The Ufo Encyclopedia...Margaret Sachs..Pbk..Jacket has slight creases and edges of pages slightly stained.

  (No Ufologist in my opinion should be without this in their book collection.It is one, if not the best reference book that has appeared on the subject...ED). 408 pages. £6.00 plus p&p.

# Carleton University,Ottawa,Canada:

Following a battery of psychological tests to people who claim ufo encounters, the results show the people who claim to have seen and even ridden in ufos are just ordinary folk with normal imaginations. The team also found that the ufo sighters tended to be 'White - collar, relatively well-educated representatives of the middle class'. (So there is still some hope for some of us...ED).. (Huddersfield Daily Examiner 1.11.93, Lancashire Evening Post 1.11.93 and various other newspapers).

## Radio Solent : 17.2.94 :

If you've ever had the feeling that the world is getting stranger, then according to a new survey, you may well be right. 1993 was apparently 3.5% stranger than 1992, according to the compilers of the journal of strange phenomena 'Fortean Times'. Although their measurements isn't that scientific, they hope that their reports will open our eyes to some of the odder events in the world. Kerry Dyson has compiled this report starting with a typical tit-bit from the Fortean Times:

'In 1977, there was a shower of rain in Poole, which turnt into a fall of hay and grass. According to witness John Kay, the hay was coming from a large rain cloud about 1,000 feet up'.

The kind of strange stories that the Fortean Times has been collecting for years. But now, they have decided to take their compendium of fascinating facts a stage further. They are creating their own FT Index of the years strange phenomena, which they hope to quantify and compare with last years events. According to Bob Rickard:

'We get 1000's of news clippings from all over the world and we've noticed that certain types of phenomena and subjects come and go.We know about a lot of people who are interested in this area and want to get some kind of handle on it as do we.So we had to decide a method.We tried measuring column inches or by weighing them by the pound.In the end we decided, we would actualy monitor wether the reportage on a subject increased or decreased, but you have to start some where'.

1992 was the first year of the FT Index, and the results are now in. Strangeness is indeed up and 1993 was 3.5% weirder than 1992. It is a result borne out by some of the weirdness watchers in the South. Like Steve Gerrard of the Southampton Ufo Group:

'There's been sightings in Hampshire. There was a particularly good sighting from Petersfield, that was seen 40 minutes later over Southampton, Southampton water. Last year was the busy time. There was up to, I think at the end of the day, there was 4 sightings in the summer period. The majority of the sightings I have explained. As I say, there's that 3-4% that to me, leaves me at the end of the day, wondering what is it, what could it be?'.

In the past the events the Fortean Times has reported, have been of little interest to what could be normal life. And at the time this report went out, it may well of caused little more than a raised eye brow:

'In 1975,a large cat-like animal, ran across the fields at Brooks Green, near Horsham, in Sussex and made horses rear up. Police found hair on a fence, also strange paw marks, which the R.S.P.C.A recommended must of been made by a 90 - 120 pound animal, not a dog'.

'Your not dealing with stories of bogy men or mystery or Loch Ness Monster, this isn't what its about. This is about strange sightings, which appear to have no real validity, and then all of a sudden, people begin to take notice about it and yes, they are being hit by cars and yes, they are attacking farm animals, and yes, we have got film of them. And all of a sudden, it becomes legitable and respectable and everybody who's been looking for them, then is able to change their hat, from being a crank, to being a little bit more respectable'.

Martin Tribbett there, from the Isle of wight with the Big Cat stories that appeared in the Times, have become flesh and bone. As for the other stories like the two legged fish caught in Tazmania, which had feet, or the German who had failed in two suicide attempts, was killed on the way home, by a cart horse. Well, they're just fun really, and not a sign of increasing weirdness according to Martin Hempstead of the Wessex Skeptics:

'Fortean Times is basically an amusing magazine. I don't think there's a real need to spend a lot of time examining their claims in any detail. Well, it's not a well defined idea, I'd much rather read science journals for the really weird and wonderful things, that are happening now a days'.

That report from Kerry Dyson on the new FT Index, Index of weirdness.

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One final thing, can anyone help me with the following information from their files.

I was recently contacted by someone in America who is compiling a catalogue of alien encounters/abductions. Has anyone investigated any such cases and if so, could you please supply me with the following information:

DATE:
TIME:
LOCATION:
WITNESS:

DESCRIPTION: (This to include description of the craft, but more important a description of the alien beings etc).

If anyone out there can help me, then please drop me a line.